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POLYMERIZATION

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action dated June 27, 2002 ("Office Action") issued in the above-identified patent application ("subject application"), Applicants herein amend the subject application as follows:

In the Specification

Please replace the ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE on page 202 of the specification, as follows:

"ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to multifunctional polymerization initiators comprising a radically polymerizable atom or group and at least one non-ATRP polymerization 12/31/2002 NMDHAMM1 00000101 09359359

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